



## RESOLUTION

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URGING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO BUILD CITY TEMPORARY HOUSING UNITS IN REGIONS WHERE HOMELESS PERSONS RESIDE.

WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu's "Homeless Point-in-Time Count 2015," conducted on January 25, 2015, divided the island of Oahu into seven regions: Downtown Honolulu, East Honolulu, Ewa (Aiea to Kapolei), Kaneohe to Waimanalo, Wahiawa to North Shore, Upper Windward, and the Waianae Coast; and

WHEREAS, the City's Homeless Point-in-Time Count found that there are 1,939 unsheltered and 2,964 sheltered homeless individuals located throughout Honolulu's seven regions; and

WHEREAS, the Point-in-Time Count also found that there are 71 unsheltered homeless families, comprised of 285 individuals, and 485 sheltered homeless families, comprised of 2,055 individuals; and

WHEREAS, according to a September 18, 2015 press release from the Mayor's office, the City is planning to acquire a 1.1-acre property located in Waianae to build 16 to 20 modular temporary housing units to service families in Leeward Oahu; and

WHEREAS, on November 23, 2015, the Mayor presented the City's plan to convert a former school campus located in Makiki into a transitional housing facility with up to 45 units; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor stated that the City is looking to purchase additional properties that are "just like" the Makiki acquisition to build more housing facilities; and

WHEREAS, homeless families may be adversely impacted if they are only allowed to relocate to a temporary housing unit in another region far from their social support systems, schools and employment; and

WHEREAS, building City temporary housing units in regions where homeless reside will facilitate continuity and stability of education, employment and community relationships throughout the transition period for struggling homeless families; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it urges the City administration to build additional City temporary housing units in regions where homeless persons reside to facilitate their transition from being unsheltered to living in permanent housing; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City administration is encouraged to work with the Council to identify and assess the needs of each respective region regarding the location and plans for building City temporary housing units; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, Managing Director and the Director of Community Services.

INTRODUCED BY:

*Shymberly Poe*

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

**DEC 16 2015**

Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers